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To: Mr. Jack Kennedy
WH/4/Security

On March 18,1961 I spent hours with Court Wood and we discussed at great length his plans for the future and his participation in the activities of the FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE. Court seems to be extremely naive concerning my position with the Agency, and he is very open and frank with me in all areas. I am certain that if given enough time I can obtain a great deal of information on the backgrounds and activities of many of his associates.

While visiting his apartment I observed that both Court and his father are interested in a large number of Communist Publications. These included "U.S.S.R.", "The Worker", and many Prop. pamphlets that were obviously published in England. Court is an extreme Leftist in his political views and he believes fanatically in Castro's Cuba.

Mr. Wood mentioned to me that he and several of his friends are making plans to enter Cuba in June; illegally if necessary. He apparently wants to become a tenor for the Castro government and to make his permanent home there. Members of the "26th of July Movement" are in close contact with Court and they are envolved in this proposed move to Cuba. Court does have some money and he seems to be very serious this thing. Within the next few days I hope to be able to get some names and specific facts concerning their plans.

Please include this in my permanent record.

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